

<div>NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS</div> <div>APPLICATION FOR AWARD / PROGRAM</div>								
<div>INSTRUCTIONS</div> <div><div>• Print or type information. • Attach a copy of DD Form 214 or WD Form 53 • Attach a copy of death certificate (if applicable)</div><div>• Mail to: NJ Dept of Military & Veterans Affairs, ATTN: DVP-VBB, PO Box 340, Trenton, NJ 08625-0340</div><div>• For further information - Phone 609-530-7034</div></div>								
<div>Program or Award Requested: (Check all that apply)</div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> NJ Distinguished Service Medal</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> NJ Vietnam Service Medal</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> NJ Meritorious Service Medal</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Operation Recognition (High School Diploma)</div></div>								
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<div>MILITARY SERVICE INFORMATION</div> <div><div>6. Branch of Service (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard)</div><div>7. War Time Service (Check all that apply)</div><div><div><input type="checkbox"/> World War I</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> World War II</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Korean War</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam War</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Desert Shield/Storm</div></div><div>8. Type of Combat</div><div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Ground</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Air</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Sea</div></div><div>9. What Veteran's Organizations do you belong to? (If any)</div><div></div></div> <div>8a. Theater of Operations: (Check all that apply)</div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> European-African-Middle Eastern</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Asiatic Pacific</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> North Atlantic</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> American</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Southeast Asiatic</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Southwest Asiatic</div></div>								
<div>POSTHUMOUS AWARD <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO (If YES - Complete the following) (Attach copy of Death Certificate)</div> <div><div>10. Name of Person to Receive Award (Last, First, Middle Initial)</div><div></div><div>Relationship to Deceased Veteran</div><div></div></div> <div>11. Address</div> <div>Street City State Zip Code</div> <div>Daytime Phone</div>								
<div>12. Presentation Ceremony Requested</div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> YES</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> NO</div></div>	<div>SIGNATURE:</div> <div></div>	<div>Date</div> <div></div>						
<div>For Use by Approving Authority: NJ Dept of Military & Veterans Affairs:</div> <div>Date Received:</div> <div>Enclosures: DD Form 214 Death Certificate</div> <div><div>MEDALS</div><div>BRONZE SVC STARS</div><div>CHARACTER OF DISCHARGE</div><div>WAR TIME SERVICE</div><div>ENTRY RESIDENCY</div><div>CURRENT RESIDENCY</div></div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> DISAPPROVED</div><div>INITIALS</div><div>DATE</div></div>								
<div>Remarks:</div> <div></div>								

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

NJ Distinguished Service Medal	Veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States who served in time of war or national emergency. Resident of NJ upon entry on Active Duty. Served in a combat theater or was officially listed as a prisoner of war or missing in action by US Dept of Defense. Posthumous award authorized.
NJ Vietnam Service Medal	Current Resident of NJ. Served on Active Duty on or after Dec. 31, 1960 and on or before May 7, 1975 in Vietnam; Thailand, Laos, Cambodia (or contiguous waters or airspace). Attached to or served one or more days w/organization participating in or directly supporting military operations. Attached to or served for one or more days aboard a United States Naval vessel directly supporting military operations. Participated as a crew member in one or more aerial flights into airspace above Vietnam and contiguous waters directly supporting military operations. Served on temporary duty for 30 consecutive days or 60 nonconsecutive days in Vietnam or contiguous areas, except that this time may be waived for persons participating in actual combat operations. Must have received an Honorable Discharge (General Discharge [Under Honorable Conditions] or a Discharge Under Other Than Honorable Conditions shall not be considered valid for this award). Posthumous award authorized.
NJ Meritorious Service Medal	Veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States who served in time of war or national emergency. Current Resident of NJ, having resided in NJ for at least the past 5 years. Served in a combat theater or was officially listed as a prisoner of war or missing in action by US Dept of Defense. Posthumous award authorized.
Operation Recognition (High School Diploma)	NJ veteran who attended a New Jersey high school. Left a NJ high school to join military between the dates of: Sep 16, 1940 - Dec 31, 1946 World War II Jun 23, 1950 - Jan 31, 1955 Korean War Dec 31, 1960 - May 7, 1975 Vietnam War Honorably discharged. Those who earned a GED also eligible. Diplomas may also be issued posthumously.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Complete and sign application on front side of this form.

Provide a copy of: **(DO NOT SEND ORIGINALS)**

- _____ Proof of residency (Any document showing name and home address)
- _____ DD Form 214 indicating Honorable Discharge
- _____ Evidence of active duty service in qualifying areas or contiguous waters or airspace
- _____ Name and address of NJ high school attended **(Operation Recognition only)**
- _____ Date veteran would have graduated **(Operation Recognition only)**

Submit completed application and documents to:

The Adjutant General
New Jersey Department of Military & Veterans Affairs
ATTN: DVP-VBB
PO Box 340
Trenton, NJ 08625-0340